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SUBJECT: INDONESIA AND ICCS

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1. SUMMARY: DISCUSSION MARCH 29 WITH INDONESIAN CHIEF HANKAM INTELLIGENCE MURDANI CLEARLY DISCLOSED INDONESIAN DECISION CONSIDER WITHDRAWAL FROM ICCS PRIMARILY MOTIVATED BY FEELING ON TART INDONESIAN MILITARY U.S. NO LONGER LIKELY TAKE ACTIVE PART IN AREA AND INDONESIA MUST ACCOMMODATE TO INEVITABLE. END SUMMARY.

2. IN MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR AND SHIMA MARCH 29 MAJOR GENERAL BENNY MURDANI, CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, GAVE REASONS FOR HANKAM (DEPARTMENT DEFENSE) POSITION THAT INDONESIA SHOULD WITHDRAW FROM ICCS. THIS BEING REPORTED AS BACKGROUND OUR DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN ACCORDANCE REFTEL B.

3. INDONESIAN ROLE IN ICCS HAD EXPOSED IT TO INCREASING ATTACKS FROM PRG. INDONESIA WAS ATTACKED FOR WHAT IT DID AND FOR WHAT PRG CLAIMED IT FAILED TO DO. PRG VICTORY SEEMED INEVITABLE IN VIETNAM. INDONESIA'S ASEAN PARTNERS WERE WILLING TO DO NOTHING. INDOESIA WOULD RECONSIDER IF THERE WERE CLEAR SIGNAL FROM U.S. THAT WE WERE WILLING TAKE MTRE ACTIVE ROLE IN SEEKING PEACE, BUT THIS CLEARLY  
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NOT COMING BECAUSE OF CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDE.

4. INDONESIA MILITARILY WEAK. ITS 300,000 MAN FORCE IS ONLY 10 O/O TRAINED, 25 O/O EQUIPPED. IT GETS LESS THAN \$15 MILLION FROM U.S. IN COMPARISON WITH VAST SUMS PUT INTO INDOCHINA. HOW CAN INDONESIA FACE UP TO COMMUNIST SOUTHEAST ASIA FI SAIGON WITH A MILLION AND A HALF MEN AND MILLIONS IN AID CANNOT DO IT? INDONESIA MUST BE PREPARED TO LIVE WITH COMMUNIST INDOCHINA IF IT IS TO SURVIVE OVER NEXT 20 TO 25 YEARS. INCREASED COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, PARTICULARLY MALAYSIA, WOULD DEFINITELY INCREASE COMMUNIST THREAT IN INDONESIA. IT DOES NOT HAVE STRENGTH TO OPPOSE; IT MUST ACCOMMODATE, DESPITE STRONG ANTI-COMMUNIST VIEWS. WHILE VIEWS OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA LESS CLEAR, INDONESIA MUST RECKON WITH IT ALSO.

5. EXPERIENCE IN ICCS HAS BEEN VERY DISXOURAGING FOR INDONESIAN MILITARY. THEY HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR MISSION. THIER VIEW OF SOUTH VIETNAM FORCES BLEAK; THEY HAVE SEEN THEM RUN AWAY FROM BATTLE, NOT JUST TO FIRST OR SECOND LINE OF DEFENSE BUT BEYOND. THEY SEE LITTLE HOPE FOR TURNING TIDE.

6. COMMENT: WHATEVER MAY BE RESULTS OUR DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS KEEP GOI IN ICCS, IT IS CLEAR THAT YOUNGER HANKAM OFFICERS CLEARLY "FED UP" WITH ICCS AND WORRIED ABOUT INDONESIA'S RELATIONS WITH PRG. THEIR WORRY STEMS IN LARGE MEASURE FROM BELIEF THAT AMERICAN "UMBRELLA" ON WHICH THEY HAVE CLEARLY DEPENDED IS DISAPPEARING.  
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